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The Committee on Publication of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, to which the matter of amendments to the By-Laws was referred, reported as follows:

1. The By-Laws of the Society, the statutes for the bestowal of the Bruce Medal and the rules relating to the comet medal, were last printed in 1897, as Number 57 of the Publications, volume 9, page 163.

2. Since 1897 the By-Laws have been amended three times, as follows: (a) Article VIII, January 31, 1903 (see vol. 15, p. 52); (b) article IX, March 28, 1903 (see vol. 15, p. 141); (c) article II, August 31, 1905 (see vol. 17, p. 169).

3. We recommend that the second paragraph of article IX of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

A meeting shall be held in the Library of the Lick Observatory at a suitable hour on the last Saturday of August; and meetings shall be held in the rooms of the Society, in San Francisco, at eight o'clock p. m. on the last Saturdays of January, March, June and November, but it shall be within the discretion of the President to designate other places of meeting, in San Francisco or vicinity, for the meetings of January, June and November, whenever, in his opinion, such change will be to the advantage of the Society.

4. We recommend that when the statutes for the bestowal of the Bruce Medal are reprinted, a foot note be added to the tenth line of Article V, to read as follows: In response to a request made by one of the nominating observatories, the Board of Directors of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific construes the provision in Article V of the Statutes, referring to "Astronomers worthy to receive the medal for the ensuing year," to cover services rendered during the lifetime of the nominee.

It was the unanimous opinion of the six Directors present that the By-Laws be amended as recommended by the Committee, and the Secretary was instructed to obtain, if possible, the written consent of at least three other Directors.

The printing of the footnote to article V of the Bruce Statutes was authorized.

Adjourned.

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ADDENDUM TO MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE  
PACIFIC, HELD IN ROOM 601, MERCHANTS' EX-  
CHANGE BUILDING, SAN FRANCISCO, NOVEM-  
BER 28, 1908, AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M.

Now that the announcement of the eighth award of the Bruce Gold Medal has been made, this addendum to the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held November 28, 1908, is published and made part of the complete minutes of said meeting.

The result of the ballot showed that ten votes were cast for Dr. G. W. HILL. As the Statutes for the Bestowal of the Bruce Medal

require at least six votes, and more than this number having been cast for Dr. G. W. HILL, the award was thereupon made to him. The following certification was signed by the Directors:—

This is to certify that a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific was held this day for the purpose of awarding the Bruce Medal for the year 1909, and that, the provisions of the statutes for the bestowal having been complied with, the medal was awarded to

GEORGE WILLIAM HILL

for distinguished services to astronomy, by the consenting votes of ten Directors.

CHARLES BURCKHALTER, S. D. TOWNLEY, FREMONT MORSE, CHARLES S. CUSHING, D. S. RICHARDSON, R. T. CRAWFORD, J. D. GALLOWAY, GEO. E. HALE,\* R. G. AITKEN,\* W. W. CAMPBELL.\*

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., November 28, 1908.

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\* By proxy.